

REMARKS

By this paper, the first paragraph of this application is hereby amended to recite the priority claim originally submitted in the Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application document that was submitted in conjunction with the filing of this application. Specifically, the application is hereby amended to recite that this application claims priority to, and is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/690,178, filed on October 16, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/273,591, filed on March 22, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,193,631, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/766,513, filed on December 13, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,059,692, which claims the benefit of U.S. Application Serial No. 60/008,603, filed on December 14, 1995. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.78.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the applicable United States Patent and Trademark Office record(s) be updated accordingly. Applicants further respectfully request a filing receipt for this application, reflecting the appropriate domestic priority data.

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